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SUBJ: CIVAIR: LIAT TROUBLES

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1. BRITISH INFORM US THAT PROVISIONAL LIQUIDATOR HAS BEEN APPOINTED IN UK BUT THAT NEITHER NAME NOR IDENTITY HIS PRINCIPALS HAS YET BEEN RELEASED AND THAT LIQUIDATOR HAS EXPRESSED HIS INTENTIONS OF SUPPORTING LIAT OPERATIONS FOR SHORT TERM, BUT ONLY REPEAT ONLY ON CONDITION THAT CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS CONTINUE TALKS TOWARD TAKING OVER LIAT WITHIN SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. OUR BRITISH SOURCES SEE NO INTERRUPTION IN SERVICES FOR IMMEDIATE SHORT TERM (SEVERAL WEEKS) UNLESS CREDITORS TAKE DIFFERENT VIEW. OUR BRITISH SOURCES DO NOT HAVE ANY IDEA OF WHAT WILL HAPPEN AFTER "IMMEDIATE SHORT TERM."

2. COMMENT: IT IS HARD TO IMAGINE THAT CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS WILL BE ABLE FIND FUNDS TO OPERATE LIAT ON A LONG TERM BASIS BUT PERHAPS THREAT OF AIR SERVICES COLLAPSE MAY SPUR ACQUISITION OF FUNDS FOR FURTHER SHORT TERM SUPPORT. ONE DANGER IS THAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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LIAT EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING PILOTS, IN ABSENCE OF FIRM ASSURANCES,

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MAY BE PREPARING TO FIND MORE SECURE BERTHS. SIMMS	
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